

## **CLAIMS**

**1. An anchor shovel for use as an anchor comprising :**

a handle, a shovel part, a connecting element to fixedly connect said shovel part and releasably connect said handle;

a plurality of clips;

said clips being releasably engaged to said connecting element and to said handle;

said connecting element having a plurality of holes through which pass said clips;

said connecting element so configured as to be orientable in relation to said handle so as to allow said shovel part to be oriented in a variety of ways in relation to said handle by using combinations of said clips engaging through specific holes combinations of said connecting element and into said handle with each specific combination providing a specific mode;

said connecting element in cooperation with said handle and said shovel part offering the following modes of operation :

a) a shovel mode which allows said anchor shovel to be used like a regular shovel;

b) an anchor mode which allows said anchor shovel to be used like an anchor;

c) a folded mode which allows said anchor shovel to be more compact such as for transport, storage, or when not in use;

**2. An anchor shovel for use as an anchor having the following method of use :**

said anchor shovel is configured in anchor mode and anchored into the ground;

a cable from a hoist on a vehicle is attached onto said anchor shovel's handle;

when said hoist is being activated, tension in said cable further engages shovel part of said anchor shovel into the ground to increase said anchor shovel's anchoring ability.

3. An anchor shovel for use as an anchor as in claim 1 wherein :  
said handle has a fixed length.

3. An anchor shovel for use as an anchor as in claim 1 wherein :  
said handle is telescopically variable in length.